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California Air Resources Board
1001 "I" Street
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Subject: Electrify America 2.0L California ZEV Investment Plan

Dear Members of the California Air Resources Board:

On behalf of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), I would like to express our support for Electrify America's first 30-month zero emission vehicle (ZEV) Investment Plan for electric vehicle charging investment, with approximately \$23-\$25 million in the SCAG Region. This project supports the goals set forth in the adopted 2016 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS), encouraging more access to vehicle charging.

SCAG appreciates that the Electrify America Plan for ZEVs is distinct and separate from other Volkswagen (VW) settlement funding. We strongly believe Los Angeles should receive a significant share of funding: because Los Angeles makes good strategic business sense for transportation electrification investment. This Plan is designed to simultaneously stimulate transportation electrification while also reducing air pollution in our communities, but we must remember that it is on a tight timetable. Investments have already started in other parts of the country, and California (and especially Los Angeles) needs to move forward as well.

We welcome the opportunity to be more involved in the planning process—especially in ways to invest meaningfully within Los Angeles County's disadvantaged communities—over 50% of the areas within the state. We welcome the opportunity to hold hearings and workshops within the region to ensure more of our municipalities, foundations, community-based organizations, and other stakeholders can have more of a presence going forward

If you have any questions or wish to discuss this further, please contact Marco Anderson, Program Manager, Sustainability, (213) 236-1879 or anderson@scag.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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